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Riding the Recession

Looking for ways to save money and ride out the economic storm? Now through the end of March, Metro will share advice on how to cut down on expenses and navigate your way through the recession.

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Dozens of Sanitation Water Action Network members and supporters attend a rally to mark World Water Day on Parliament Hill yesterday. Roughly one-seventh of the world's population does not have access to clean drinking water.

Water should be foreign aid priority, says group

World Water Day marks crisis affecting nearly 1 billion people

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It's likely something that many Ottawa residents take for granted.

Yet clean water is something that nearly a billion people in the world don't have access to.

"The average Canadian uses 329 litres of water per day," said WaterCan executive director Gary Pluim. "Through a five-minute shower, we use 100 litres of water. Many homes don't have the newest six-litre flush toilets. We water our lawns and fill our swimming pools."

In the meantime, people all over the world don't have access to clean water, he said.

Dozens of Sanitation Wa-

ter Action Network members and supporters spoke out for those less fortunate at a rally to mark World Water Day on Parliament Hill yesterday.

"Canada and other donor countries need to make water and sanitation a foreign aid priority," SWAN spokesman George Yap said. "All over the world, people are walking further and further in search of clean water," said Robert Fox, executive director for Oxfam Canada.

Since gathering water is women's work in many parts of the world, "millions of girls are not in

school because they are searching for water," he said.

Every year, 2.2 million people in the developing world — many of which are children — die from preventable diseases caused by dirty water and poor sanitation conditions.

In addition, about 2.5 billion people, or two-thirds of the world's population, don't have access to toilets, said Pluim.

The lack of toilets affects every aspect of life and work, said Chris Dendys, executive director for Results Canada.

"The crisis is huge, but

we can do something about it," she said.

Rally organizers presented a toilet seat petition to Ottawa Centre MP and foreign affairs critic Paul Dewar, who said he would give it to Prime Minister Stephen Harper.

"Every time he gets on his seat, he'll think of seats for everyone else," he said. A featured speaker at the Go Green Show at Lansdowne Park yesterday, Pluim asked Ottawa residents to look at their water consumption.

"Look at your water bill," he said, "and ask yourself, 'how can I conserve?'"

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Ottawans think crime up; stats say otherwise

SURVEY Despite a 7.5 per cent drop in the overall crime rate in Ottawa last year, nearly half the people in the city believe crime is getting worse.

According to a COMPAS Public Opinion and Customer Research public survey conducted on behalf of the Ottawa police, 43 per cent of those surveyed thought crime in Ottawa has increased over the past three years.

However, preliminary 2008 data from Ottawa police show a decline in the number of calls for service and criminal code offences.

Initial police statistics show decreases in reported crimes against the person, property crimes and other criminal code offences compared to 2007.

In 2008, police responded to more than 364,000 calls for service, 2.3 per cent fewer than in 2007.

According to the public opinion survey, which had 2,508 participants from each ward in the city, 68 per cent of Ottawa residents ranked the police performance as "good or very good," with almost none ranking it as "poor or very poor."

Ninety per cent of respondents ranked an officer they dealt with as courteous and professional and 84 per cent were confident in the officer's ability to handle the situation.

TIM WIECLAWSKI/METRO OTTAWA

Sri Lanka to protest rallies

FORMAL The Sri Lankan government plans an official protest to Ottawa for allowing demonstrations in the country reputedly supporting Tamil Tigers, a terrorist organization.

Last week tens of thousands of Canadian Tamils marched in Toronto to protest the deaths of Tamils. The timing of the formal protest is unknown.

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In order to see the greatest benefit for the city from the government's economic stimulus package, Mayor Larry O'Brien has suggested that the city establish a committee to identify opportunities, challenges, key issues and risks. **METRO OTTAWA**

Local



Suspicious fire destroys former school

An early morning fire destroyed a former school building in the Hull sector of Gatineau yesterday. The fire started around 2:40 a.m. in a two-storey abandoned building at 100 Gamelin St. The building was owned by the city of Gatineau, but had previously been used by the Le Collège préuniversitaire Nouvelles Frontières. No one was injured, but the building was completely destroyed. Gatineau police are treating the fire as suspicious.

METRO OTTAWA

Orleans, 150 years young

HERITAGE Orleans is celebrating its sesquicentennial next year — and plans are already in full swing.

2010 will mark the 150th anniversary of the founding of the St-Joseph d'Orleans parish and the village that sprang up around it.

One of the first French-Canadian villages east of Bytown — then the capital of Canada — Orleans has managed to hold on to its French character over the past century and a half.

The theme of the celebrations is "Let us be proud of the past, celebrate the present and prepare for the future."

Special events and activities have been planned throughout next year, including an opening ball at St-Joseph Parish Hall and the re-enactment of the arrival of Monsignor Guigues on the shores of the Ottawa River in 1860.

"This is an opportune time to not only remember our local history, and in particular our Francophone heritage, but also to look forward to a bright future in our growing and diverse community," said Innes Coun. Rainer Bloess.

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Worms take centre stage

Inaugural Go Green Expo draws thousands over weekend-long event

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They call her the worm lady.

And Gerrie Baker doesn't mind. In fact, it's something she's rather proud of. Worms are the reason her family produces only a small grocery bag of garbage every six months.

"I'm trying to get everyone to compost. We've all become very good at recycling inert objects, like glass, metal and plastics," she said. "But now we have to compost organic objects."

And it's not just food waste, she said.

"You can compost dryer lint, pet fur, popsicle sticks, holey socks, wool or thread if you knit or sew, pencil shavings, rabbit poop, dog poop and old towels," she

said.

All it takes, she said, is half a pound — or between 600 and 1,000 — of earthworms.

There are certain fears associated with worms, she said. "But the concept that they are slimy or yucky is just a taught behaviour."

Yesterday, Baker worked to undo those beliefs at her popular

Worm Factory compost exhibit at Ottawa's first Go Green Expo.

Thousands of people attended the show, which ran all weekend at Lansdowne Park.

Attendees

ranged from toddlers getting their first lessons in earth-friendly living, to people who have been composting at home for more than 50 years and were looking for other things to do, said show spokeswoman Tanya Williams.

"You can compost dryer lint, pet fur, popsicle sticks, holey socks, wool or thread ..., pencil shavings, rabbit poop, dog poop and old towels."

Gerrie Baker



Worm Factory owner Gerrie Baker, left, and her daughter, Julia, 14, explained how worm composting works to hundreds of fascinated people at the Go Green Expo at Lansdowne Park yesterday.

"It's great to see so many people who care about making changes to their lives," she said.

Ottawa resident Tom Levy said his family already recycles, composts, uses solar panels, fluorescent lights, rain barrels and hangs their clothing out to

dry, but he wanted to see what more they could do. "I like all the renewable energy stuff," he said.

The show featured dozens of booths, from green home renovation companies to organic cooking to beauty products and hybrid vehicles.

Over at the Electric Vehicle Council of Ottawa booth, an electric-assisted bicycle gets a lot of interest.

"As the price of gas goes up, so does the interest in electric vehicles," said the group's vice-president, John Purves.

Cops fired more in '08

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Ottawa police fired their weapons more last year compared to the year before, despite the number of times they took aim going virtually unchanged from 2007.

According to the Ottawa Police Service 2008 Use of Force Annual Report, officers took aim 214 times last year, pulling the trigger on 62 occasions.

However, only one incident, on Dec. 29, involved an officer firing at a person. All other incidents were to destroy dangerous or injured animals.



In 2007, officers took aim at individuals on 212 occasions, pulling the trigger 51 times.

Overall, the number of incidents of force reported by police officers has decreased about six per cent from 482 incidents in 2008 from 511 reported incidents in 2007.

Those numbers are based on officer reports that must be submitted whenever a firearm is discharged or displayed to the public; or whenever intermediate weapons, like batons, Tasers or weapons of opportunity are used; or when physical force is used result-

ing in injury.

Incidents where officers used electronic control devices (Tasers) more than doubled in 2008 to an eight-year high of 27, compared to 12 in 2007.

According to the report, front-line supervisors were issued ECDs in November 2007, and prior to this, only members of the tactical unit carried them. By the end of 2008, there were 130 front-line supervisors, 34 tactical officers, and three professional development centre instructors trained in the use of the ECD. The report stated that the increase in ECD deployments was reasonable given their increase in availability.

and possibly with a goatee. He was wearing a red and white logo baseball cap and a black scarf around his neck. Anyone with info can call 613-236-1222, ext. 5116.

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MLS soccer expansion club still wanted in Ottawa

LEAGUE Ottawa Senators owner Eugene Melnyk has reaffirmed his commitment to bringing Major League Soccer to Ottawa, in light of Portland being awarded the last remaining MLS franchise for the 2011 season.

"Absolutely nothing has changed with respect to the level of effort and resources Senators Sports and Entertainment is placing toward our MLS expansion and stadium efforts in Ottawa," he said in a release.

"The main hurdle for us is to gain the city's support for our proposed world-class stadium. We continue to work very closely with council and city staff in securing a favourable decision by its meeting on April 22."

City council is mulling two \$100-million stadium

proposals. One group is proposing a development of Lansdowne Park that would host a CFL franchise. Melnyk is proposing a stadium next to Scotiabank Place in Kanata.

Both groups will make their case to a joint meeting of the city's corporate services planning committee on April 6. Melnyk was hoping to secure one of two expansion franchises to begin playing in the 2011 season, but those were awarded to Vancouver and Portland.

"In the coming days, I am confident commissioner Don Garber will be able to turn his focus to the league's expansion plans beyond 2011 and reaffirm that Ottawa remains under active consideration," said Melnyk.

TIM WIECLAWSKI/METRO OTTAWA

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What's online today.

Blogs It's Called Football welcomes Bob Lenarduzzi to discuss the Vancouver Whitecaps' MLS future.

Immigration Guidy Mann details the hazards of overstaying a Canadian visa at metronews.ca/immigration

Video Investors anxiously watch for signs the recent market rally can be sustained at metronews.ca/canada



Lotteries

Friday, March 20
Lotto Super 7: 10, 23, 28, 29, 31, 32 & 46 Bonus 3
Saturday, March 21

Lotto 6/49: 14, 19, 34, 37, 39 & 42 Bonus 47
Sunday, March 22

Ontario Pick 3: 9 4 0; Ontario Pick 4: 1 0 4 7
Encore: 0864710;

Daily Keno: 3, 6, 8, 10, 13, 17, 21, 22, 27, 34
35, 37, 38, 43, 47, 54, 58, 59, 66, 69

These results are not official.

News in brief

HIST Ottawa police are seeking the public's help in identifying a suspect in relation to a bank robbery Wednesday. At 11:20 a.m., a male entered the National Bank in the 700 block

of Baseline Road, where he produced a weapon and demanded cash. He fled on foot. The man is described as black, about 20 years old, six-foot-one, about 185 to 200 pounds, unshaven

Mackay prefers Canadian Forces

Federal Minister of Defence Peter MacKay told reporters yesterday he is more interested in working with the Canadian military than becoming NATO's next secretary general, downplaying rumours that he may take that position.

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Canada



Toronto moves on electric cars

Toronto is joining a small group of forward-looking North American cities that want to speed up the introduction of electric cars on their streets and highways. Called Project Get Ready, the initiative was launched in February by the Rocky Mountain Institute, a Colorado-based think-tank co-founded by renowned energy consultant Amory Lovins. The project's founding cities include Raleigh, Indianapolis and Portland.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Iggy paints Grits as Quebec's alternative

POLITICS With a mountain of work ahead to ready his bruised party for the next election, Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff is determined to steal the mantle from the Conservatives as the federalist alternative in Quebec.

The party is still sorely challenged organizationally, a fact Ignatieff himself acknowledges while assuring his supporters that action to fix its electoral machine is underway — including getting advice from U.S. President Barack Obama's team on how to update the party's donor database. New candidates with star quality in the province are still missing in action, despite Ignatieff's months on the job.

But the 500 partisans who filled the Laval Sheraton Hotel convention centre for the Quebec wing's general council meeting yesterday to hear Ignatieff speak were greeted with a pointed message aimed less at them than at those who are voting for other parties.

"There are a lot of voters who vote for the Bloc Québécois out of a sense of pride of being Quebecers, but who don't believe in the party's solutions," Ignatieff said. "It's to these people that I speak today: Give us a chance to prove what we can do for Quebec, for your families, for your neighbours, and for you."

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News in brief

COLLAPSE Nine people escaped injury yesterday afternoon when the domed roof of an indoor Calgary golf centre collapsed under heavy, wet snow around 1:30 p.m. said Barry Dawson, a spokesman from Calgary's fire department.

CBC NEWS ONLINE

Grocers, video stores thrive

Vendors of at-home pursuits make cash despite economic downturn

Riding the Recession

Uncertain economic times have had a negative impact on just about everyone — except those who benefit from you staying at home.

Rogers Plus video stores haven't missed a beat with a declining economy.

"Despite the recession, business has been steady in comparison to the last year," said Harold Simons, Manager of Communications at Rogers Plus.

"We really have not been

impacted yet because movies and video games are a great way to entertain yourself at home."

That success even translates to alternative video stores, such as Excitement video in Halifax. The adult film store has also seen an up-tick in sales and rentals since the economy slid late last year.

"Sex just doesn't go away in a recession," said store manager, Lindsay Allain. "You don't necessarily need a car. You can do away with that. But you're always going to need sex."

Those looking to brush up on culinary skills at home are helping prop up

"You're always going to need sex."

Lindsay Allain, adult video store manager

the bottom line of national grocery chains.

"Things are fairly stable in our business," said Michael Lupien of Sobeys. "We're not laying people off. We are seeing an increase in sales in a lot of our prepared meals and things we sell at the deli. People want value for their dollar, which means that they are cooking at home

instead of going out."

And what's unfortunate to some, is a boon for others as pawn shops are also seeing more people come in to sell high-end goods for a quick cash injection.

"We've seen about double the number of items come in due to the recession," said Mandy Motyer, a senior supervisor at Cash Canada Pawn Shop in Calgary. "There are iPods, TVs, flatscreens, lots of DVDs."

"A lot of people are coming in and telling us that they just lost their job and are looking to make some money somehow."

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Labour leader praises Obama

MEETING Legendary U.S. labour organizer Marshall Ganz says during his 40 years of visiting Canada he'd often found himself apologizing for the U.S. president of the day.

But not anymore, said Ganz, one of the leading characters in the California grape boycott of the 1960s and 70s, who worked on Barack Obama's Democratic election campaign. Speaking at an NDP federal council meeting yesterday, Ganz said: "It took 40 years but we seem to have gotten it right," he said, adding Obama's campaign can be transplanted to Canada. He said the U.S. is making a shift "to the politics of hope."

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Calgary Standing Up Against Racism



Anti-racism activists protest near Calgary City Hall on Saturday to undermine a demonstration by white supremacists happening the same day. The protest erupted into a violent fracas between the two groups in which at least two people sustained head injuries, CBC News Online reported. Activists are now seeking an inquiry into police conduct during the protest.

PM insensitive to jobless, Layton says

POLITICS Canadians are losing their jobs at the rate of one every 30 seconds but Prime Minister Stephen Harper is incapable of feeling their pain, NDP Leader Jack Layton said yesterday.

After speaking to the NDP federal council, Layton said that while hundreds are losing their jobs daily, Harper would rather talk about how the country is doing well, all things considered.

"You don't get a sense from this government that Canadians are suffering. In fact, he's out there trying to say everything is rosy or just about to be rosy ... and I have said take off the rose-coloured glasses and talk to some of the people who have been thrown out of work," Layton told reporters.

"They don't seem to get it," said the NDP leader, reminding reporters that Harper's Human Resources Minister Diane Finley recently said she wasn't about to make Employment Insurance "lucrative

Job loss rates

• Layton noted that since the October federal election, more than 300,000 Canadians have been thrown out of work, unemployment climbed to 7.7 per cent in February and the trade deficit has ballooned to \$900 million.

for (the unemployed) to stay home and get paid for it."

In his speech, Layton accused Harper of making Canada's economic downturn even worse by not acknowledging earlier that the country was headed into a recession.

"Our economic straits are dire, but as we know we didn't get here overnight ... in September Stephen Harper was still claiming 'the fundamentals of the Canadian economy are sound' — yet another example that Stephen Harper is out of touch," he said.

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With someone to polish his shoes, make his bed and stoke the fire in his spacious rooms, Charles Darwin enjoyed the sort of pampered university life that today's debt-laden British students can only dream about, researchers have learned. **REUTERS**

World



Ocean toxin a threat

A nerve toxin produced by marine algae off California appears to affect creatures in the deep ocean, posing a greater threat than previously thought, U.S. researchers said yesterday. Surface blooms of the algae known as *Pseudo-nitzschia* can generate dangerously high levels of domoic acid, a neurotoxin blamed for bizarre bird attacks dramatized in Alfred Hitchcock's 1963 film *The Birds*. **REUTERS**

Seventeen killed in Montana plane crash

ROCKIES A single-engine plane, reported to be carrying children on a ski vacation to the Rocky Mountains, crashed on approach to an airport in western Montana yesterday, killing 17 people, the Federal Aviation Administration said.

A photograph taken by an eyewitness moments after the crash and broadcast on CNN showed a fireball blazing through a grove of trees near a cemetery a short distance from the Bert Mooney Airport in Butte, Mont., where the plane went down.

A reporter from the Montana Standard newspaper cited local emergency officials as saying the plane was carrying a group of young children en route to a ski vacation in Bozeman, Mont., southeast of the crash site and about 50 miles north of Yellowstone National Park.

The plane

- The plane was a single-engine turboprop Pilatus PC12.
- It crashed about 500 feet from the airport while attempting to land and burst into flames.

An FAA spokesman in Seattle, Mike Fergus, put the preliminary death toll from the crash at 17 people. He said there was no indication of any survivors on the plane, nor of casualties on the ground.

Fergus said authorities on the scene had reported to the FAA that a number of children were on the plane.

A Los Angeles-based FAA official said the plane had taken off from the northern California town of Oroville, and crashed on final approach at the airport in Butte. **REUTERS**

Three officers shot dead

Wanted California man opens fire after being pulled over

A man in Oakland, Calif., killed three police officers and wounded two others Saturday in two separate shootings that began with a traffic stop and ended with a gun battle, police said.

Lovelle Mixon, 26, was pulled over during a traffic stop in the early afternoon.

Mixon, who was wanted for violating parole on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon, opened fire on two officers, one of whom later died, and fled.

Officers found the suspect later that afternoon in an apartment.

When a Special Weapons and Tactics team forced their way in, he



Interim Oakland police Chief Howard Jordan speaks during a press conference announcing the shooting deaths of three Oakland, Calif., police officers on Saturday.

opened fire with an assault rifle, hitting three officers, including two who died from the wounds, according to a statement by police in the San Francisco Bay area city.

Mixon was killed in the gun fight, and the officer wounded in the traffic stop is in critical condition.

"I wouldn't wish this on any of my colleagues in the United States," acting police Chief Howard Jordan told a news conference Saturday night.

"This is very daunting for us, but we are very resilient. We are a big family and we rely on each other for support."

Since Oakland's police department was formed in 1867, 50 of its officers have died in the line of duty. **REUTERS**

Funeral Richardson laid to rest



Actor Liam Neeson, waving, and his family arrive for the funeral of his wife, actress Natasha Richardson, at St. Peter's Lithgow Episcopal Church yesterday in Millbrook, N.Y. Richardson died on March 18 in New York City after suffering a ski injury at a Quebec resort.

Big bonuses fuel backlash

OBAMA A public furor over big bonuses paid by firms bailed out with U.S. taxpayer money is fuelling resistance to President Barack Obama's ambitious plans to extend government intervention in the U.S. private sector.

Republican opponents say his commitment of huge sums to try to revive the ailing economy is driven by a philosophical belief in greater government intrusion in many areas, from health care to education, dubbing it socialism.

As the enormous cost of Obama's effort to stimulate the economy grows, many are weighing just how far government should be extending its powers.

"We're in the midst of a huge political battle, which is being obscured behind a financial crisis," said Bruce Kogut, professor of ethics and corporate governance at Columbia University. "If the financial crisis wasn't here we'd be having this battle anyway."

Obama administration officials have had to fend off accusations they were too easy on the financial industry, after the insurance giant AIG paid out millions of dollars in bonuses after accepting billions of dollars in taxpayer funds. **REUTERS**

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News in brief

CHINA Chinese police have detained almost 100 monks after hundreds of people attacked a police station in an ethnic Tibetan part of Qinghai province, state media said.

GRAVE Guatemala's biggest mass grave may give up its secrets this year when bodies from a massacre during the 1960-1996 civil war are exhumed later this year.

RUSSIA Four people died in a stampede at a discotheque in a small Russian town when word spread that it was offering free entry on Saturday night, police said yesterday. **REUTERS**

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This morning I'm reflecting on what makes a life interesting.

There's a reason for this. Recently, Dianne Rinehart, my editor-in-chief at

Metro, asked if I'd write a blog to go with my column.

Now when an editor-in-chief asks, "Would you like to ...?" I snap to and say, "How high?" Usually leading them to ask, "What do you mean? What's that got to do with filing your column on time?" And then I say, "Um ... it's like you asked me to jump and I ...". And they say, "I knew hiring a humour writer was trouble. I wonder if that woman who writes about telling your fortune by reading bird droppings is

still available." Something like that.

Anyway, this week I begin to blog. I'm willing to blog. I'm wanting to blog. I'm waiting to blog. The only thing keeping me from blogging is having no idea what the heck to blog about.

Not being a huge blog reader myself, I asked blog-savvy friends what one blogs about. Apparently, blogging is a chance to share all those ordinary everyday thoughts and experiences that no one will sit and listen to us talk

about, but are happy to spend hours reading online.

One friend suggested, "Anything can be interesting. What did you do this morning?"

Me: I spent 45 minutes trying to unglue teeth whitening strips from the paper backing, ending up having to pull 50 half unstuck strips out of my bangs. Is that a blog?

Her: That's a Twitter. You have to work up to that.

Another friend said, "Blog about how you're different.

That's what's interesting."

Well, I'm a divorced, remarried lesbian living in a straight neighbourhood. One of my daughters is transsexual. I'm training to become a minister in a faith that traditionally would like to see my sort tarred and feathered. I work at an inner city parish where "success" means you're still alive. And at a mental health institute, where I have to be armed with a personal safety device in order to visit my clients. But frankly, in my world,

this is all old news.

And is it our differences that make our lives interesting? The most interesting thing my life experience has taught me is that we're really all the same. We all want to be loved. We all need hope. We all hope to be listened to.

I don't know if that's a blog or a Twitter. I do believe it's the truth.

Anne Hines is an author and humour writer. She has written three novels and one collection of nonfiction humour.

Views

There's no justification for 'bus rage'

InTransit

John Holmes

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We bus users can be an inconsiderate bunch. Something about being crammed in a tight space with strangers brings out the worst in us. It turns otherwise upstanding citizens into the most intolerant creatures. Those we'd

normally take extra care to protect, such as babies, seniors and the disabled, suddenly take the brunt of our irritability.

In rush hour, harassed commuters make all the excuses. They've not had their morning coffee. They have a meeting to make. But there's no justification for so-called "bus rage" against those who cause just a minor inconvenience. Just look at it from the other side.

I've seen remarkable levels of inconsideration on OC Transpo buses. The

classic case is when people don't stand up to let seniors sit down.

But there are other examples. When the bus is full, it's difficult for parents with strollers, or people in wheelchairs, to get to the front to disembark. Yet it usually takes an intervention, often from a conscientious passenger rather than the bus driver, to marshal everyone and rectify the situation. It's as if, should someone get off the bus to make it easier for a wheelchair or a stroller to pass by, the bus

will drive away while they're standing on the pavement.

Public transit is just that — public. It's there for us all to use, whether we're a federal civil servant or work in a fast food joint.

Public transit is never going to be an enjoyable experience. But it does force us to think and act collectively. It's up to us to make sure it is the least uncomfortable it possibly can be.

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Businesswomen push for Iraqi government's support

Iraqi businesswomen urged the government on Saturday to support them in their push for a greater share of the reconstruction business that is expected to flourish in Iraq now that the violence is subsiding. **REUTERS**

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Business



Companies tackle labour bill

Starbucks, Costco Wholesale Corp. and Whole Foods Market are joining forces to propose alternatives to a bill that makes it easier for workers to unionize but is strongly opposed by U.S. corporations. The "card check" legislation would let workers form a union when a majority of employees sign authorization cards. That would change the current practice in which workers usually vote on unionizing. **REUTERS**

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Focus moves to fresh water

Resource on the wane: Forum

If water is now the kind of precious commodity that oil became in the 20th century, should delivery of clean water be the same sort of powerful political force as the environmental movement in an age of climate change?

And, in another sense of green, is there money to be made in a time of water scarcity?

The answer to both questions, according to environmental activists watching a global forum on water, is yes.

The weeklong meeting in Istanbul, Turkey, ended yesterday on International World Water Day, an annual event that focuses atten-

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tion on sustainable management of fresh water.

What was clear at this year's World Water Forum was the notion that clean water supplies are waning due to a warming world.

And according to the World Health Organization, there is a high return on investment in clean-water projects: Every \$1 spent on water and sanitation can bring economic benefits averaging between \$7 and \$12. **REUTERS**

Connecticut Protesters dog AIG execs



Pastor Mary Huguley tries to deliver a letter to a security guard in front of the Fairfield, Conn., home belonging to Douglas Poling, one of numerous executives who were recipients of a bonus from American International Group Inc., over the weekend. The Connecticut Working Families Party organized the bus trip to some of the executives' homes to express their displeasure with the bonuses in the wake of the company's acceptance of billions in U.S. government assistance.

Business in brief

LAW SUIT Washington Mutual Inc., the failed U.S. savings and loan company, has sued the

Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. for well over \$13 billion US in connection with the loss

of its banking operations, which was acquired by JPMorgan Chase & Co.

Obama team predicts rebound

FORECAST The Obama administration is "incredibly confident" the U.S. economy will rebound within a year, a top adviser said yesterday. "We will be seeing signs the economy is turning around," Christina Romer, head of the White House Council of Economic Advisers, told the Fox News Sunday program. **REUTERS**

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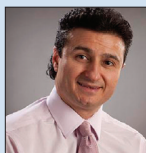
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Sports

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Lumsden a natural in the sleigh

Edmonton Eskimos running back Jesse Lumsden became a Canadian two-man bobsleigh champion with pilot Pierre Lueders Saturday in Whistler. Lueders and Lumsden clocked a two-run combined time of one minute, 44.73 seconds to finish in first. The football star trained all last week with the Canadian bobsleigh team as a cross-training exercise for the upcoming CFL season. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Sens win on Broadway

NHL RESULT

Senators 2 Rangers 1



THE SKINNY: Ottawa fought back from an early one-goal deficit to score the next two goals of the contest, extending their winning streak to five consecutive games. The Senators are on a roll, winning nine of their last 10.

THE WINNER: Ryan Shannon netted his fifth marker of the season for the Senators just over a minute into the third period with a wrist shot over the glove of Rangers goalie Henrik Lundqvist.

NEW YORK BLACKOUT: Considering the Rangers could



Ryan Shannon of the Senators is congratulated by Mike Fisher, middle, and Nick Foligno after scoring in New York last night.

have improved their playoff status, they didn't play a very inspired game, going 0-for-six on the power play.

ON THE ROAD: Including last night's contest in New York, the Senators play their next six games on the road with stops in Carolina, Atlanta, Tampa Bay,

Florida and Boston.

INTO THE 500 CLUB: Chris Neil skated in his 500th and 501st NHL games over the weekend against the Islanders and Rangers.

SICK BED TO SCORESHEET: Mike Comrie

returned to the lineup after being sidelined with the flu the last couple of games and ended up scoring the Senators first goal of the game.

THE NEXT GAME: The Senators are in Raleigh on Wednesday to take on the Hurricanes. **MIKE BEASLEY/FOR METRO OTTAWA**

67's even things up with IceDogs

OHL Corey Cowick and Anthony Nigro each scored twice yesterday to lead the 67's to a 6-2 win over the Niagara IceDogs in OHL playoff action.

Ottawa, the third seed in the Eastern Conference, came back from an early deficit to even the best-of-seven series at one win apiece after dropping the opener 5-3 at home on Friday.

Logan Couture, the third forward on Ottawa's top line, recorded four assists. The victory snapped a

nine-game losing skid for the 67's in the post-season dating back to March 27, 2007.

OHL rookie Tyler Toffoli had his first playoff goal and added an assist on Cody Lindsay's first.

Julien Demers added a pair of assists and goaltender Chris Perugini earned his first post-season victory with 41 saves.

The next three games in the series are all in St. Catharines, beginning tomorrow. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Andy Rautins sparks Syracuse into Sweet 16

NCAA Eric Devendorf scored 21 points and Canadian Andy Rautins added 17, as Syracuse advanced to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament with a 78-67 victory over Arizona State at American Airlines Arena.

Rick Jackson chipped in 13 points and Jonny Flynn contributed 11 points with seven assists for the Orange (28-9), who are seeded third in the South Region and will play Oklahoma in the regional semifinals on Friday in Memphis.

Arizona State trailed by as many as 15 in the second half, but Abbott hit a pair of three-pointers to fuel a 15-4 run.

broadcaster Leo Rautins, answered with a three-pointer for the Orange and, after two ASU free throws, Devendorf drained two from beyond the arc to give Syracuse a 70-59 edge with just over four minutes to play.

"Eric and I, we didn't shoot the ball well last

game," said Rautins.

"We came out and were stroking it well today. That's what good

shooters do, they bounce back and they stay confident."

Syracuse broke open a close game early with a 15-5 run. Devendorf ignited the burst with a three-pointer for a 14-10 edge and Rautins

cannied a pair from outside the arc to cap the surge, giving the Orange a 26-15 lead with 6:42 remaining in the half.

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Syracuse guard Jonny Flynn saves a ball against Arizona State yesterday.



The second of those pulled the Sun Devils within 61-57 with 6 1/2 minutes remaining.

Rautins, the son of Canadian men's coach and Toronto Raptors

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Sports in brief

NHL Michael Ryder and Marc Savard each posted a goal and one assist, as the Bruins clinched the Northeast Division title with a 4-1 victory over New Jersey yesterday in Boston. Chuck Kobasew and Milan Lucic also scored for the Bruins, who last won a division crown in 2004 and also opened up a five-point lead over the Devils for the top spot in the Eastern Conference. Tim Thomas picked up the win by making 41 saves.

NBA Chris Bosh was one of five Raptors to reach double figures in scoring, finishing with 16 points and 13 rebounds, as the Raps pummeled the Los Angeles Clippers, 100-76 in Toronto yesterday. Jose Calderon had 15 points and dished out six assists, while Shawn Marion totaled 14 points and 13 boards for the Raptors, who won for just the second time in their last 11 games. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Going Green

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How to mark Earth Hour

Here are some ways you can observe Earth Hour: Go outside and look at the stars; gather your family or friends for a candle-lit dinner; have an acoustic music jam; make a list of ways you could reduce your energy consumption every hour of every day. For more ideas, see www.earthhour.org/25_ways_to_mark_earth_hour_2009.cfm. METRO NEWS SERVICES

It's more than just turning off lights

Canada and the rest of the world prepare for third annual Earth Hour

EarthTones

Sophia Dore & Andrew Laursen



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Earth Hour 2009 is almost upon us. What will you be doing and, more importantly, why are you doing it?

On Saturday, March 28, between 8:30 and 9:30 p.m., we are asked to turn off all non-essential lights and other power-using devices for the third annual

Earth Hour event.

Earth Hour started in 2007 in Sydney, Australia. By last year, other countries had jumped on the bandwagon, including Canada, where more than 150 cities signed up to participate, which is one of the highest participation rates in the world. The Toronto skyline dimmed noticeably and hydro usage dropped 8.7 per cent. In Ottawa, they showed a four per cent decrease in hydro usage.

This year, Earth Hour events are planned in many cities across Canada. These events include a free Earth Hour concert in Nathan Phillips Square in Toronto, a free concert and

stargazing in Grand Parade square in Halifax with telescopes available for use and free beverages (bring your own reusable mug), and a free concert in Vancouver at Junofest.

For more information about these and other events, go to www.earthhour.org/. This year, Canada looks poised to outdo its 2008 performance with more than 200 cities already signed up to participate. Canada currently ranks No. 1 in the world in terms of cities signed up

for Earth Hour with 208 cities. We are followed by Greece (185) and Australia (172). Lights on major landmarks will be dimmed as

Canadians vote with their light switches to show that climate change is important to us.

Speaking of voting, we find it ironic that Canada has more cities than any other country signed up for Earth Hour, however, our government's policy on global warming is luke-warm at best. We have backpedalled

EarthHour

on our ratification of the Kyoto Protocol and now with a new forward thinking administration in the U.S. we face the prospect of trailing behind even that traditional digger-in of heels on climate change, the U.S. of A.

We need to decide if we are serious about combatting climate change. Are we just participating in Earth Hour for the "cool" factor because it's endorsed by celebrities, we like free concerts and lighting candles is fun anyway? Or are we willing to put resources

into sustainable energy generation and into helping existing industries cut their carbon outputs? Meeting our Kyoto obligations is not going to be painless. Are we willing to deal with the pain?

Most importantly, are we willing to tell Ottawa that in spite of all our economic woes, we still care about climate change and about the environment and that we will not accept them turning their backs on it.

Or will we just turn the lights back on at 9:30 on March 28 and go about our lives?

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Get the entire family involved

In support of Earth Hour, WWF-Canada and Sears Canada, a national sponsor of Earth Hour, present the Family Guide to Earth Hour, a series of tips and ideas to show Canadian parents that global change begins at home.

Make a plan: Use Earth Hour to discuss what your family can do year-round to take action for the planet.

For ideas, visit TheGoodLife.wwf.ca.

Candle-lit games night: Get out the board games or play a game of flashlight tag. Get the family gathered for some old-fashioned quality time to remind your children that games can be played without a computer or TV screen.

Take a tour: Explore your

neighbourhood and travel around the city using fun and smart means of transportation — walk, bike, skateboard, scooter, or take the bus and show your kids that travel can be fun and sometimes faster when you leave the car at home.

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The recently announced University of Victoria-based Oceans Network Canada Centre for Enterprise and Engagement will manage two highly sophisticated underwater laboratories, which will improve the ability to plan for and respond to sea-based disasters. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Ocean research at uVic

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Cage-free eggs at Brock

Brock University in Ontario's Niagara region has become the 12th post-secondary institution in Canada to adopt a cage-free egg purchasing policy. Brock announced its decision Wednesday, saying it is committed to serving 100 per cent cage-free eggs in all campus food facilities.

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Four Olympics down

OddJobs

Diane Peters



Architecture critics marvel at the look of the new Richmond Olympic Oval. But the speedskaters who whip around the corners and look up at the clock to check their time only care about one thing: The ice. And that's the responsibility of Mark Messer. He's the chief plant manager and ice and facility specialist for the Olympic Oval in Calgary, and is helping out at the new B.C. venue too.

The 48-year-old helped design some of the technical aspects of the new facility and will monitor the ice during next year's Olympics. It'll be his fourth Olympics — he



If you want to know about ice, ice specialist Mark Messer is the man to see.

spent 40 days straight in Turin in 2006.

Originally from Saskatchewan, Messer grew up in Calgary a mechanically minded kid. He did an apprenticeship as a heavy-duty mechanic but got laid off from his job in 1982 when the construction market dried up.

He got hired by the Saddledome when it opened in 1983 and learned on the job how to make ice for the Calgary Flames. He went to the Olympic Oval when it opened in 1987 and learned about speedskating.

Over the years, he took courses on refrigeration and ice-making equipment. Five years ago, he got promoted into his current position.

"To be good at this job, you have to have an open mind, be creative and open to new things," says Messer. He's questioned some traditional ice-making techniques and his experiments have led to numerous new ways to make fast, clean, smooth ice for both speedskaters and hockey players (his facility has a long-track oval and two international size rinks for hockey and short track skating).

He's learned, for instance, that highly purified water works best for long track skating, while water with minerals and impurities left in it leads to better short track skating.

These days, his job entails monitoring the ice by

looking at computer reports from under-the-ice sensors, by checking it personally and talking to skaters and coaches. He adjusts the humidity in the building and works with his ice maintenance staff to achieve a smooth, fast surface.

He drives a Zamboni himself at least a few times a week, more lately in Richmond as he's been training staff there.

While he's an expert on ovals and loves being around speedskaters who strive to be the best, he's not a racer himself. He's more of a hockey guy and plays once a week.

Diane Peters once hawked magic pens at the Canadian National Exhibition. She's now a writer and part-time journalism instructor.

Companies inundated with job applications

Today's economy is fuelling record activity in job search. In January, CareerBuilder.com had 25.7 million unique visitors come to the site, the highest in company history. The average number of applications to jobs on the site over the last three months increased 25 per cent compared to last year.

In a recent wide-scale survey, CareerBuilder.com found that the vast majority of human resources managers (78 per cent) reported at least half of the resumes they receive from various recruitment resources are from unqualified candidates.

Nearly one-in-four human resources managers said they receive, on average, more than 75 resumes for each open position; 42 per cent receive more than 50 resumes.

Thirty-eight per cent of human resources managers report they spend one to two minutes reviewing a new application; 17 per cent spend less than one minute.

Compiled here are some tips from Rosemary Haefner, vice-president of human resources at Careerbuilder.com:

- Human resources managers serve on the front lines of a company's recruitment efforts and are often

the gatekeepers of the interview process. Because they can receive a large volume of applications, you may only have a matter of seconds to make a lasting impression.

- You should always have a current resumé and portfolio ready to go because you never know what the next day will bring whether it's a weak or healthy economy.

- Fifty-one per cent of human resources managers reported they use an applicant-tracking systems to screen and manage their resumes. It's important to incorporate keywords from the job posting into your resumé because it will increase your chances of appearing near the top of the employer's ranking of the most relevant candidates.

- Many workers, especially those operating in industries that have experienced mass layoffs, are looking to new industries and professions to find opportunities. In these cases, your best option may be a functional resumé, which lists experience by skill categories rather than chronologically.

- If you're a recent college graduate, make sure to include volunteer work on your resumé as most employers consider this to be relevant experience.

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The Lowdown

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Six University of Calgary students who are members of a campus pro-life group plead not guilty to charges of trespassing for displaying graphic material on campus in November. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Movies miss genetic mark

Lecture series

BRIAN TOWIE
for Metro Canada

Forget about being able to choose the colour of your baby's eyes or hair, we haven't gotten that far yet, according to Claire Hasenkampf.

"If you're looking for that sort of thing, rent a movie," she says. But the professor of biological sciences at the University of

Toronto's Scarborough Campus has regaled audiences on the latest research on the building blocks of life in her lecture Chromosomes Dividing: How It's Done And Why It Matters, as part of TVO's Ontario's Best Lecturer series on its

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program Big Ideas yesterday.

"It's very thrilling to be nominated," she said. "I'll be more thrilled if I win, but I won't be disappointed if I don't. It's a pretty tough topic to explain."

So, while chromosomes may not be considered as "sexy" a subject as others, it's an important one to know. Hasenkampf details how during meiosis — a dividing process essential to sexual reproduction — chromosomes are allowed to pair up and participate



While it's not the sexiest subject, Claire Hasenkampf can tell you the importance of chromosomes.

in reciprocal genetic exchange.

Essentially, Hasenkampf explains how life is created on a microscopic level.

"It matters because the process encodes info about the organism, and most organisms that we can see use that process," she said.

"Now much of what makes up a human can be

attributed to environmental possibilities — nurture instead of nature. But meiosis can provide more information about birth defects and complex traits such as athleticism or intelligence, or even hereditary risks like heart disease or diabetes."

But there's so much more to know. Hasenkampf says that

there's no such thing as a study that hasn't generated more questions along with findings, and like many other scientific discoveries, the answer may just come by accident.

"A big key is to not find the answer you think you're looking for if it isn't there," she said. "Don't let your ideas bias what you see."

Prof lectures on failings of justice

BRIAN TOWIE
for Metro Canada

Darryl Davies knows that in the world of law and order, crime is just good for business.

The Ottawa-based criminologist and professor in Carleton University's department of sociology and anthropology will impart his wisdom on crime and punishment in his lecture Explaining Crime, which has already aired on TVO's Big Ideas as part of its Ontario's Best Lecturer contest.

A veteran of the criminal justice system in Canada for more than 20 years in a number of roles — including parole officer, a policy analyst in the Ministry of the Solicitor General and criminologist with the Canadian Criminal Justice Association — Davies will talk on how the system can undergo some much-needed improvements, how politicians use the issue of crime as a vote-grabber and how criminal activity ultimately benefits job creation.

"Our criminal justice sys-

"Our criminal justice system, to a large extent, targets the wrong populations."

Darryl Davies

tem, to a large extent, targets the wrong populations," he said. "It gives the impression that the bulk of offending in terms of cost is most serious in street crime. We focus on the most vulnerable. We focus on minorities. The most adverse effects come from credit card fraud, computer crime and insurance fraud and we do very little in those areas. We also don't target big companies who pollute our waters and poison people. I try to address that with my students."

More cops on the street won't curtail crime, though opportunistic politicians would have you think differently, Davies argues. He says an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure, and programs that could stop crime before it starts go shamefully under-used.

"We make decisions with respect to crime based on

ideology, not empirical evidence," he said. "Politicians, generally, will pander to a 'get-tough' approach. They target crime in their speeches and give the impression that increasing the number of police officers will improve public safety, which is nonsense. We have intervention strategies that work in the very earliest years of a child's upbringing and development to prevent crime, and we're very poor at using them. The politicians never get behind them because they're not vote-catchers."

Moreover, Davies says little effort is made to stamp out crime entirely, one reason being it keeps those in the justice system employed.

"I can talk from practical experience," he said. "The elimination of crime is a non-existent proposition. The whole system feeds off of it. Everyone in it is employed by it, including me. The former prime minister of Canada, John Diefenbaker, when he was a sitting member in the House of Commons representing Prince Albert, responded to

a discussion around closing Saskatchewan Penitentiary by standing up and basically saying, 'You'll do that over my dead body,' because prisons create employment, and not just for two weeks, they do it forever."

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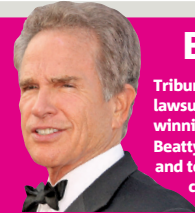
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Beatty sued

Tribune Media Services has filed a lawsuit against Academy-award winning director and actor Warren Beatty to recover motion picture and television rights to comic strip character Dick Tracy. **REUTERS**

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\$2.1 million **REUTERS**

Making fun of the news

The Hour recruits comedians to guest-anchor segment

IAN JOHNSTON
for Metro Canada

Making fun of the news seems like a no-brainer. You need material? All you got to do is open a newspaper or switch on the TV.

But according to comic Colin Mochrie, it can be tricky sometimes.

"I remember after 9-11, for a long time it was hard to come up with a funny angle on that particular news item," says Mochrie, who was a cast member on *This Hour Has 22 Minutes* from 2001 until 2003. "We eventually did by focusing on the hysteria that result-

ed afterward."

"It was an odd time. I remember doing an improv tour, and you'd do a Bush joke and immediately lose 50 per cent of the audience. They'd boo."

Mochrie will return to the faux anchor desk this week as a guest on CBC's *The Hour*, delivering *The News*, the talk show's nightly look at the world of entertainment.

Comic Sean Cullen kicks off the guest anchoring tonight, followed by Mochrie (Tuesday), Gilson Lubin (Wednesday), and Nikki Payne (Thursday).

"We just thought it would be fun," says The



The Hour's George Stroumboulopoulos with Colin Mochrie.

Hour host George Stroumboulopoulos.

"One of the things we do on our show is make sure Canadian talent has a home. We only have two interview spots, so we thought — how can we get them on the show? Hey — let's get them to do *The News*. Do what I do," Stroumboulopoulos says

his talk show, which combines interviews with headlines and commentary, can be funny. But don't go mistaking it for a comedy show.

"We can do observation, we can point out the obvious, we can make jokes, or provide a nuanced look at something. But we're not a comedy show. But in

"We just thought it would be fun."

The Hour's George Stroumboulopoulos

there, if the audience finds something funny, that's great."

The host says he likes to change things up on his show and looks forward to what the comics bring to the table.

"We have our writers, but they'll bring whatever they bring. We'll work on it with them. But no one needs to tell Sean Cullen or Colin Mochrie what to do."

Mochrie can't see himself doing nightly commentary on a show like *The Hour* or *The Daily Show* with Jon Stewart.

"It's certainly a good way to get your point across," he says. "But it sounds like work to me. I'm lazy. I'd get on the computer to write and get distracted by solitaire."

The Hour airs Monday to Friday at 11 p.m. on CBC.

Woodstock organizer seeking sponsorship

MUSIC Woodstock co-founder Michael Lang says plans for a 40th anniversary concert are "all speculative ideas" for now, but he hopes to bring them to reality this summer.

Lang told Billboard.com his vision is "a free event ... a very green project," possibly in New York City.

"We want to have as small a carbon imprint as we can and use as many green techniques as we can," said Lang, who was in Austin to participate in a South by Southwest panel discussion on the legendary 1969 concert.

The holdup? "It's got to be sponsor-driven," he said.

"It's free, but it costs a lot of money. That's kind of what we're in the middle of right now. Depending on how successful we are in raising that sponsorship (money) will determine when and how we do this event — or if we do this event, frankly."

He added that reports of

"We want to have as small a carbon imprint as we can and use as many green techniques as we can."

Michael Lang

a concurrent Woodstock festival in Berlin, possibly at Tempelhof airport, were "premature."

Lang said that musically a 2009 Woodstock would go "back to its roots ... There would be a lot of legacy bands — the Who, Santana, Crosby, Stills & Nash, Joe Cocker maybe. And it would be people like Steve Earle and Ben Harper. There's certainly room for the (Red Hot) Chili Peppers."

The Chili closed the ill-fated 30th anniversary concert in 1999, which was marred by complaints about the facilities, food and water prices and ended with a fiery riot. **REUTERS**

M.I.A. steps into Coachella lineup

MUSIC Sri Lankan pop sensation M.I.A. has been added to the Coachella festival's Saturday night lineup, replacing Amy Winehouse, who was forced to cancel her appearance earlier this month because of an assault charge in the U.K.

The Southern California festival will mark the rapper/singer's first public appearance since the birth of her son in February, just days after her performance of *Paper Planes* with Kanye West, Jay-Z, and Lil Wayne at the Grammy Awards.

Universal inks deal for Hendrix

MUSIC Universal Music Publishing Group has become the exclusive administrator of the Jimi Hendrix catalog throughout the world outside the United States.

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Pork off Witherspoon's table

Reese Witherspoon has been forced to ban pork from her diet, after buying her young daughter a pet pig. Ava, 9, has fallen in love with the hog and pressured her mom to banish all pig products from the Witherspoon household. **FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK**



Reality TV star dies

Brit celeb Jade Goody succumbs to cancer

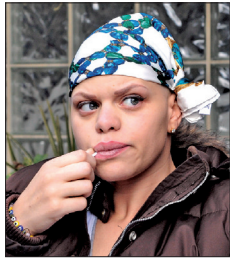
Jade Goody, a one-time dental assistant whose final days were as closely chronicled in the media as her controversial appearances on reality television, died of cervical cancer yesterday.

The 27-year-old mother of two, who married her boyfriend in a televised ceremony only last month, died in her sleep at her home in Essex, southeast England.

"Jade died at 3:55 a.m. this morning," her tearful mother Jackie Budden told reporters yesterday. "Family and friends would like privacy at last."

By endlessly poring over every detail of Goody's losing battle with the disease, tabloid newspapers, broadsheets, gossip magazines and broadcasters have been accused of obsessing over someone who is famous for little more than being famous.

Even Prime Minister Gordon Brown, who had commented on her illness, joined the tributes that poured in after her death,



Jade Goody

saying his thoughts went out to her family.

"I was deeply saddened to hear the news of Jade Goody's death," he said in a statement. "She was a courageous woman both in life and death and the whole country have admired her determination to provide a bright future for her children."

Goody shot to fame in 2002 after appearing in Big Brother, a reality show in which people are locked in a house and their every move televised.

Initially ridiculed for her apparent lack of education — she thought Saddam

Hussein was a boxer and a ferret was a bird — and criticized for her behaviour towards fellow competitors, she gradually won the public over with a straight-talking style.

She went on to become a regular in gossip magazines, wrote an autobiography and launched her own perfume, but her popularity sank in 2007 after racially charged tirades against Indian housemate Shilpa Shetty in Celebrity Big Brother.

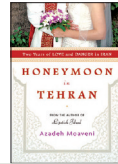
It was during an appearance on an Indian version of Big Brother in August last year that she learned that she had cervical cancer.

Goody's decision to die in the public gaze, in order to earn as much money as possible for her two sons, has seen her popularity broadly restored.

Her publicist Max Clifford said she would "be remembered as a young girl who has, and who will, save an awful lot of lives. She was a very, very brave girl," he said in a statement to media.

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The progressive side of Iran

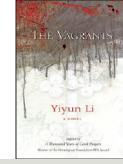


Honeymoon in Tehran

Author: Azadeh Moaveni
Publisher: Random House
Price: \$30 (Hardcover)

In this intimate memoir, journalist Azadeh Moaveni presents two very different faces of Iran. On the surface, she sees the fundamentalism in the stern ascension of

President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad. But through her reporting, she meets a host of characters representing a progressive Iran, that express views against the country's oft-stereotyped class divisions. In a country she only meant to work in, Moaveni finds love, marriage and a family before being presented with whether to stay in a varying Iran or leave to protect her loved ones.



The Vagrants

Author: Yiyun Li
Publisher: Random House
Price: \$28 (Hardcover)

In *The Vagrants*, Gu Shan rocks her native Chinese town Muddy Waters. The young woman has protested against communism in the country during the late 1970s, a time when defecation equalled death. As she appears centred in a stadi-um awaiting execution, the onlookers who had a connection to her recall their own impressions of Shan. Through her parents and individuals she's affected in her counterrevolutionary actions like Nini, born crippled after Shan kicked her pregnant mother's stomach, a picture of Shan and the reflection of individual corruption on a society are conceived.



A Mad Desire to Dance

Author: Elie Wiesel
Publisher: Random House
Price: \$28 (Hardcover)

In the office of his psychiatrist, Dr. Thérèse Goldschmidt, Doriël rhymes off his struggles and rants about his troubled life. The 60-year-old Polish Jew is living in New York, but never reconciled the loss of his family in Europe years ago. Following the Holocaust, in which his mother found a calling as a Resistance member, both of his parents perished in an accident, the last of his family after his siblings were murdered. In *A Mad Desire to Dance*, Nobel Laureate Elie Wiesel details the intellectual haunting and mental disorder that plague Doriël in his senile pursuit of redemption.

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Sony to release Lear boxed set

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Medium

Allison (Emmy winner Patricia Arquette) grows suspicious when the ghost of Agent Cooper (guest star Kurtwood Smith) visits her again with tips to help her catch the right criminal, leading her to question whether he has a hidden agenda. Against his better judgment, Joe (Jake Weber) hires a man whose credentials are less than impressive. Miguel Sandoval and David Cubitt also star in "A Necessary Evil." 10 PM on 9 NBC



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Jonas Brothers singer Joe Jonas may be facing flak over a photo showing him slanting his eyes in what some speculate is an attempt to mock Asians. Fellow Disney star Miley Cyrus drew anger over a similar photo earlier this year. **METRO WORLD NEWS**

Joe pulls a Miley

Celebrity Buzz

Sex tapes and the other woman?

PEOPLE Chris Brown cheated on Rihanna with a model, femalefirst.co.uk alleges.

The 19-year-old singer — who has been charged with felony assault and making criminal threats following his alleged assault of Rihanna last month — was having a relationship with 27-year-old model Natasha Ellie, the website says.

It has been claimed Natasha sent the three-page text message — initially reported to be from someone who Chris “had a previous sexual relationship with” — which sparked Chris and Rihanna’s argument, during which he allegedly punched, bit and choked the singer until she was unconscious.

A source said: “Rihanna has been having prob-

lems with this girl for a long time. Rihanna even reached out to Natasha, but she denied everything.”

Natasha may even have been mentioned in the lyrics to Rihanna’s song Emergency Room: “I was pickin’ up your clothes in the closet/ I was bout’ to throw your jeans in the washer/ Till I saw a piece of paper sayin’ ‘Tasha’/ I gotta say I found this a bit

shockin’/ And some receipts here that say you went shoppin’/ You bought some Nike shoes/ But why you buyin’ stockings?/ Boy how could you lie to me?/ I thought you would die for me/ I’m not accepting another apology.”

The model’s representative has denied the model had a relationship with Chris, but confirmed the pair met in Miami two years ago. Meanwhile, rumours

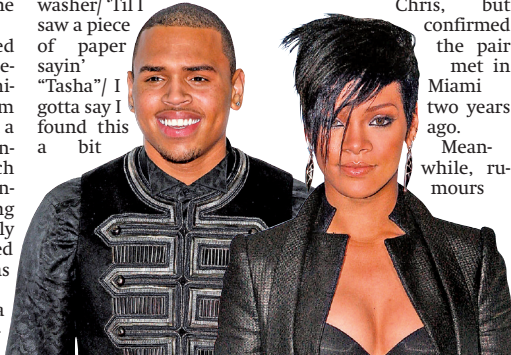
are flying that Rihanna and Chris Brown made a sex tape, femalefirst.co.uk adds.

The pair are said to have filmed themselves engaging in a series of “kinky” acts.

A source told Star magazine: “Chris and Rihanna enjoy an aggressive love life that would shock many people. Rihanna loves dressing up — including as a dominatrix — and role playing. They both have kinky sides.”

The source added: “Rihanna has no issues with her sexuality. She can be really out there. But she’d be mortified if her friends and family found this out. ‘Rihanna isn’t always the little goody-two-shoes everyone thinks she is, and Chris doesn’t want or need another scandal.’”

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Kelly’s struggle with painkillers

ADDICTION Kelly Osbourne says she would have died if she hadn’t gone to rehab, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The TV star, who spent a month in a U.S. treatment facility in January, decided to seek help after her addiction to painkillers spiralled out of control.

“I knew if I didn’t get help, I would die. I’m getting a second chance at my career and I want to be present for it,” she said, claiming it’s the first time she’s been sober since she was a teenager.

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Madonna wears the pants?

DATING Madonna has banned her boyfriend from answering his phone in front of her, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The 50-year-old singer argued with lover Jesus Luz, 22, after he took a call while she was in the same room, and has now restricted him to accepting emergency calls only.

A source said: “She just turned on him. She told him it was rude for him to take a phone call in front of her. He stood up for himself and they had quite

a heated argument.

“Madonna agreed to let him answer the mobile when she’s around, but only in emergencies.

“His family claims they always know when he’s with her because they can’t get him on the phone. And it’s true. He’ll see his phone ringing and he just has to let it go.”

However,

Madonna allows herself to chat away on her phone whenever she wants.

The source added to Britain’s Daily Mail newspaper: “If her phone rings and she wants to take the call, she’ll do it. This is not a relationship of equals.”

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Paris’ new fling hears wedding bells

SMITTEN Although they’ve only been dating for a month, The Hills star Doug Reinhardt is reportedly

so keen on Paris Hilton that he plans on asking her to marry him.

“Doug is smitten with Paris and wants to spend the rest of his life with her,” a source says, ac-

cording to Germany’s Bild. “He’s already found the perfect ring, asked her father for permission and is now waiting for the right time to pop the question.”

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Keira’s recession tip

SHOES Keira Knightley rents shoes to satisfy her footwear fetish, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

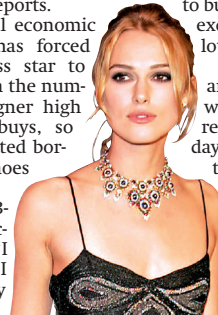
The global economic downturn has forced The Duchess star to cut down on the number of designer high heels she buys, so she has started borrowing shoes instead.

The 23-year-old actress said: “I think when I was very

young and I suddenly started earning a bit of money and I could actually afford to buy shoes, I got very excited and bought a lot. I mean a lot!

“I haven’t bought any in quite a while. Now I just rent them for the day. They give them to me for the day and I give them back in the evening, which is good.”

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Lindsay’s career revival not at top of Seth’s list

CAREER Seth Rogen is refusing to return Lindsay Lohan’s calls.

The 22-year-old is keen to revive her acting career by working with the Knocked Up actor, but is finding it hard to get in touch with him, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

She told Nylon magazine: “We’re trying to get Seth Rogen for this project, but Seth won’t call us back. So call us back, Seth, if you’re reading this!”

“I’m talking

to lots of people. One is Sean Penn — I spoke to him again the other day.”

If she struggles to land any roles, Lindsay may pursue other avenues including modelling.

She said: “I love doing photo shoots. I mean, if I could just sign with an agency and do advertising campaigns and model more, I’d do that because that’s fun for me. That’s not work.”

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Ford and Flockhart make it official

MARRIAGE Harrison Ford reportedly proposed to his girlfriend of seven years, Calista Flockhart, last month, according to People Magazine. Ford reportedly gave Flockhart a glitzy diamond engagement ring

while on a family vacation with her son, Liam, over Valentine’s Day weekend.

It was previously reported that the couple recently filled out the necessary paperwork for a marriage licence.

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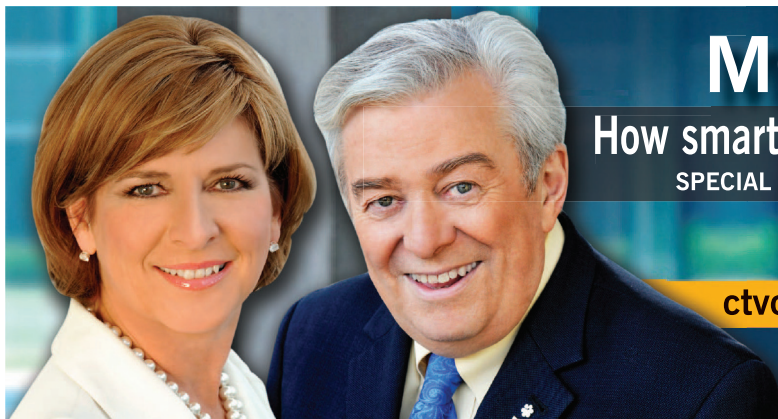
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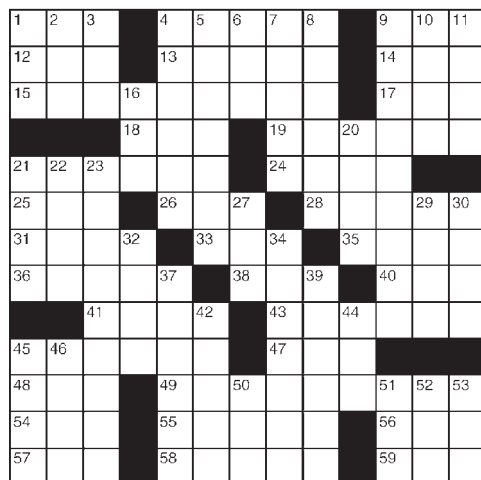
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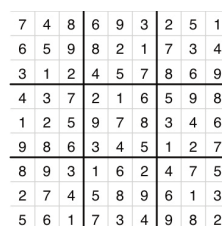
Crossword across

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| 1 Some time — | open hand | 47 Heavy weight |
| 4 Aesopian story | 25 Brazilian resort | 48 Previous night |
| 9 Bribe | 26 Joke | 49 Card game for recluses? |
| 12 Violinist's need | 28 Lascivious | 54 In medias — |
| 13 Forcefully | 31 Right angles | 55 Foolish |
| 14 Mine output | 33 Poorly lit | 56 Conventional |
| 15 Lawyer, in the U.K. | 35 Wear out | 57 Wife's address |
| 17 Confederacy leader | 36 Cut corners | 58 Lukewarm |
| 18 Opposite of "trans-" | 38 Talk and talk and talk | 59 Homer's neighbor |
| 19 Idea | 40 The Red or the Black | Flanders |
| 21 Missing | 41 Dweeby type | |
| 24 Hit with an | 43 Tenant | |
| | 45 Maine city | |

Crossword down

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|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1 Tummy muscles | 27 Showbiz job |
| 2 Sticky stuff | 29 Genealogy chart |
| 3 Pussycat's partner | 30 Calendar quota |
| 4 Up against | 32 Urban blight |
| 5 1839 mutiny site | 34 007's quaff |
| 6 Slugger's prop | 37 "Cheers" |
| 7 They have their pride | 39 Started a computer |
| 8 Sign up | 42 Danish money |
| 9 "Only the self exists" theory | 44 — rampage |
| 10 Sandwich cookie | 45 Shoulder of a road |
| 11 Hammerhead part | 46 State with certainty |
| 16 Capades locale | 50 Stander's loss |
| 20 Lacking slack | 51 Hostel |
| 21 War god | 52 Regret |
| 22 Swindle | 53 This clue's place, aptly enough |
| 23 Reliability | |

PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:



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SUDOKU SOLVE TIME:

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| | | 25+ min | Keep practising |

Metro Recipe of the Day



Skillet Chicken with Rosemary-Orange Sauce

CHICKEN INGREDIENTS:

- 2 tsp (10 ml) olive oil
- 4 skinless, boneless chicken breast halves
- 1/4 tsp (1 ml) salt

SAUCE INGREDIENTS:

- 2 shallots
- 1/4 tsp (1 ml) salt
- 1 1/2 tsp (7 ml) grated orange zest
- 1/2 tsp (2 ml) fresh rosemary, minced
- 1/4 tsp (1 ml) pepper
- 2/3 cup (150 ml) orange juice
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) orange marmalade
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) lemon juice
- 1 tsp (5 ml) cornstarch

blended with 1 tsp (15 ml) water
METHOD:
1. Heat oil in large skillet over medium heat. Sprinkle chicken with salt and cook until golden brown

on one side, about 5 minutes. Turn chicken and cook until golden brown and cooked through, about 5 minutes. Transfer to plate and cover loosely with foil.
2. Add shallots to pan and cook, stirring, until light golden, about 3 minutes. Stir in salt, orange zest, rosemary, pepper, orange juice and marmalade and boil. Stir in lemon juice.
3. Stir in cornstarch mixture and cook, stirring, until sauce is slightly thickened, about 1 minute. Slice chicken and serve with sauce spooned on top.

SERVES 4



Horoscopes

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ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 20

Be proactive when dealing with a simple issue. Everybody can understand a definite decision. A bit of luck is followed by a move.



TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21

A big man wants to stay out of things. Solving a crime is up to you. A disappointed stranger gets in the way.



GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21

Be flexible if offered different job duties. A younger friend in a bad mood is tiresome. Toss out stale ideas when dealing with the public.



CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22

A miserable man seeks your help. Save money by buying a sale item. Don't be friendly to someone's little ogre.



CAPRICORN

DEC 22-JAN 20

Someone will turn heads at a meeting. Don't harass your relatives. Don't go to dangerous places.



LEO

JULY 23-AUG 23

You'll hear an astounding statement. A creative thinker rushes into a bad situation. Others are on your side if times get tough.



AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18

Act fast to make your mark. Do not complain about a stranger. Someone bores you with banal chatter.



VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22

Your convictions determine what you get. A man comes to perk everyone up. An excuse is discovered to be a lie.



PISCES

FEB 19-MARCH 20

Respond quickly when someone is asking for help. Family problems will generate a guilty look. A woman needs to talk things out.



This day in history

MARCH 23, 1775: American Revolutionary War: Patrick Henry delivers his famous speech: "Give me liberty or give me death."
MARCH 23, 1801: Czar Paul I of Russia is struck with a sword, then strangled, and finally trampled to death in his bedroom.
MARCH 23, 1919: In Milan, Italy, Benito Mussolini founds his Fascist political movement.
MARCH 23, 1956: Pakistan becomes the first Islamic republic in the world.
MARCH 23, 2001: The Russian Mir space station is disposed of, breaking up in the atmosphere before falling into the southern Pacific Ocean near Fiji.

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1. Rashful Bangkok native (1)
2. Cart a shiny disco sphere (1)
3. Bare poser razzed the nump (1)
4. Party thrower for a phantom (1)
5. Radioactive element 88 ballpark (5)
6. Singer Janis's ribbed cotton fabrics (2)
7. Being worried about excessive perspiring (2)

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